

Commonwealth of Kentucky
Fiscal Court of Campbell County

RESOLUTION R-67-2005

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CAMPBELL COUNTY FISCAL COURT
EXPRESSING THE DEEPEST RESPECT AND ADMIRATION AND PAYING
HOMAGE AND TRIBUTE TO OUR FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE
COMMISSIONER WILLIAM J. VERST**

Whereas, Commissioner William J. Verst was born on February 6, 1956, a native of Campbell County, Kentucky, and traversed the threshold of these earthly bounds on April 29, 2005; and

Whereas, Commissioner William J. Verst was the loving son of William G. and Betty Verst; he was the devoted husband of Barbara Sacksteder Verst; he was the loving father of three daughters and three sons, Wendy Verst Schabell, Billy Verst, Jamie Verst Parks, Stephanie, Jeff, and Chip Verst and sons-in-law Eric Schabell and Dustin Parks; he was the proud grandfather of one grandchild, Carter Schabell; and the fond sibling of two brothers and four sisters, Paul and David Verst, Cheryl Popham, Connie Stadtmiller, Milissa Schack, and Lynne Verst; and

Whereas, Commissioner William J. Verst graduated from Covington Latin School and Xavier University; and

Whereas, Commissioner William J. Verst was former President of Transportation of the Verst Group and former Vice President of Verst Group Logistics, and substitute teacher at St. Joseph Elementary School in Cold Spring; and

Whereas, Commissioner William J. Verst honorably and ably served the citizens of Campbell County for a generation as a Councilman of the City of Wilder for six years, a member of the City of Wilder Planning and Zoning Board for eight years, and was in his 16th year as Campbell County Commissioner; and

Whereas, During his service as County Commissioner, William J. Verst assumed fundamental and integral roles in the development of several Campbell County facilities including the Campbell County Detention Center, the District Court building, the Campbell County Senior Center, the Campbell County Extension Center, the Campbell County Transportation Center, and the Campbell County Animal Shelter; and

Whereas, Commissioner William J. Verst maintained a strong and principled focus on the future of Campbell County, overseeing the development of the Campbell County Recreation and Transportation plans, supporting the consolidation of operations as related to water, sanitation, and emergency dispatch, and approving improvements to the Campbell County Police Department; and

Whereas, Commissioner William J. Verst excelled in leadership, evident from commendable lobbying efforts that secured economic development in Campbell County to honorable representation of the County in several organizations including the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments, the Firefighters Education Association, Northern Kentucky Technology Commercialization Triangle, Northern Kentucky Tri-County Economic Development Corporation, and Southbank Partners; and

Whereas, When we remember Commissioner William J. Verst, we are reminded that he was a public servant, in the truest sense of the word, he demonstrated an unwavering dedication to the citizens of this County, and he served as an inspiration to his fellow peers through his endless efforts and tireless commitment to the causes and beliefs he steadfastly supported; and

Whereas, Through his exemplary service, the lives of the citizens of Campbell County have been enriched and the County is a better place to live, work, and visit; and

Whereas, Commissioner William J. Verst displayed enthusiasm and optimism throughout his life; he contributed to the American political system, and his influence will live on through all the lives he touched; he demonstrated his great leadership abilities as Commissioner of Campbell County; he was an outstanding Commissioner, and he will be remembered foremost as a statesman; and

Whereas, Commissioner William J. Verst's Mass of Christian Burial was held on May 5, 2005 at Saint Joseph Church in Cold Spring, with burial at Saint Joseph Church Cemetery; and his passing has left a void that cannot be filled, and he is mourned throughout the length and breadth of the County.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Fiscal Court of Campbell County, Commonwealth of Kentucky, that the Campbell County Fiscal Court does hereby express our utter sense of bereavement and loss upon the passing of our friend and colleague, William J. Verst, extends to his family and many friends our most profound and deepest sympathy, and pays homage and tribute to the life of Commissioner William J. Verst.

The foregoing Resolution was approved at a special meeting of the Campbell County Fiscal Court on the 9th day of May 2005.

STEVE PENDERY
County Judge/Executive

DAVID E. OTTO
County Commissioner

KENNETH L. RECHTIN
County Commissioner